

GUSTAVO L. TIRADO

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EMPLOYMENT

July, 2013 – present USCG Tactical Law Enforcement Team South
Training Department Chief

- Ensure unit law enforcement training is conducted in accordance with established policy & procedures.
- Certified Ion-Scan Operator and instructor
- Unit Ion-Scan program manager
- Provide testimony in a court of law

August 2011 – July 2013 USCG Maritime Law Enforcement Academy
Boarding Officer Assistant School Chief

June 2006 – July 2011 USCG District Seven TACLET
Tactical Operator, Boarding Officer, Deployable Team Leader

EDUCATION

US Coast Guard Senior Enlisted Leadership School
USCG Chief Petty Officer Academy
University of the Sacred Heart

SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Ion Scan Instructor
Ion Scan Operator
Deployable Team Leader
Boarding Officer

I have been a member of the US Coast Guard for 24 years. I was first introduced to the Ion-scan 400B in 1999 during my first tour at TACLET South. Shortly thereafter, I qualified as an operator and have been working with the machine ever since. During the past 16 years, I have conducted thousands upon thousands of samples both on the field and in classroom settings. I qualified as an Instructor in 2006. This is a more in-depth course which explains in detail the science behind the machine's technology. Since obtaining that qualification, I have trained hundreds of Coast Guard operators on the proper operation procedure and sample taking with the Ion Scan 400B.